

tained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the therapeutic effects claimed for said product in said labels and circulars.

On May 3, 1920, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

E. D. BALL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

**8906. Misbranding of sirup of anise. U. S. \* \* \* v. 6 Dozen Bottles of \* \* \* Sirop D'Anis (Sirup of Anise). Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.** (F. & D. No. 12660. I. S. No. 18577-r. S. No. E-2188.)

On May 27, 1920, the United States attorney for the District of Maine, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 6 dozen bottles of a product, labeled in part "Sirop D'Anis," consigned by J. A. E. Gauvin, Lowell, Mass., remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Portland, Me., alleging that the article had been shipped on or about October 10, 1919, and transported from the State of Massachusetts into the State of Maine, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that it consisted essentially of morphine acetate, oil of anise, sugar, alcohol, and water.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded for the reason that the packages bore certain statements regarding the curative and therapeutic effects of said article, as follows, (bottle) "For Babies \* \* \* This preparation is highly recommended in cases of Colic, Dysentery, Sleeplessness, and Painful Dentition. \* \* \* For Babies. This syrup is administered in cases of Colic, Diarrhea, Dysentery, Painful Dentition, Sleeplessness, Coughs, Colds, etc.," (wrapper) "For Babies \* \* \* This syrup is administered for Infantile Colics, Dysentery, Coughs, Colds, Sleeplessness, etc. For Babies. This syrup is administered in cases of Colic, Diarrhea, Dysentery, Painful Dentition, Coughs, Colds, Sleeplessness, etc.," (circular) "For Babies \* \* \* a preparation for soothing pain in cases of Colic, Dysentery, Coughs, Colds, and Sleeplessness. Recommended for babies and children when the process of dentition is painful. For Babies \* \* \* A preparation for soothing pain in cases of Colic, Dysentery, Colds and Chills (Refroidissements). Recommended for babies and children when dentition is painful and when wanting sleep," which said statements were false and fraudulent in that the article contained no ingredient or ingredients capable of producing the therapeutic or curative effects claimed for it in said statements.

On June 11, 1920, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

E. D. BALL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

**8907. Misbranding of Pierce's Empress Brand Tansy, Cotton Root, Pennyroyal and Apiol Tablets. U. S. \* \* \* v. 20 Dozen Packages and 1 Dozen Packages \* \* \* of Pierce's Empress Brand Tansy, Cotton Root, Pennyroyal and Apiol Tablets. Default decrees of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.** (F. & D. Nos. 13286, 13296. I. S. Nos. 8779-t, 8777-t. S. Nos. E-2662, E-2575.)

On September 1, 1920, and August 24, 1920, the United States attorney for the District of Columbia, acting upon reports by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the Supreme Court of said District, holding a District Court, libels for the